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will become effective by issuance of a certificate, permit, or license.

§1160.9 Obtaining a copy of the application.

After publication, interested persons may request a copy of the application by contacting the Commission-designated contract agent (as identified in the *ICC Register*), Room 2229, Interstate Commerce Commission Building.

§1160.10 Opposed applications.

If the application is opposed, opposing parties are required to send a copy of their protest to the applicant.

§1160.11 Filing a reply statement.

- (a) If the application is opposed, applicant may file a reply statement. This statement is due within 20 days after *ICC Register* publication.
- (b) The reply statement may not contain new evidence. It shall only rebut or further explain matters previously raised.
- (c) The reply statement need not be notarized or verified. Applicant understands that the oath in the application form applies to all evidence submitted in the application. Separate legal arguments by counsel need not be notarized or verified.

$\S 1160.12$ Applicant withdrawal.

If the applicant wishes to withdraw an application, it shall request dismissal in writing.

Subpart B—How to Oppose Requests For Authority

§1160.40 Definitions.

A person wishing to oppose a request for permanent authority files a *protest*. A person filing a valid protest becomes a *protestant*.

§1160.41 Time for filing.

A protest shall be filed (received at the Commission) within 10 days after notice of the application appears in the *ICC Register*. A copy of the protest shall be sent to applicant's representative at the same time. Failure timely to file a protest waives further participation in the proceeding.

§1160.42 Contents of the protest.

- (a) All information upon which the protestant plans to rely is put into the protest.
- (b) A protest must be verified, as follows:
- I, ______, verify under penalty of perjury under laws of the United States of America, that the information above is true and correct. Further, I certify that I am qualified and authorized to file this protest. (See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 18 U.S.C. 1621 for penalties.)

(Signature and Date)

- (c) A protest not in substantial compliance with applicable statutory standards or these rules may be rejected.
- (d) Protests must respond directly to the statutory standards for Commission review of the application. As these standards vary for particular types of applications, potential protestants should refer to the general criteria addressed at §1160.4 of this part and may consult the Commission at (202) 927–7600 for further assistance in developing their evidence.

§1160.43 Withdrawal.

A protestant wishing to withdraw from a proceeding shall inform the Commission and applicant in writing.

Subpart C—General Rules Governing the Application Process

§1160.60 Applicable rules.

Generally, all application proceedings are governed by the Commission's Rules of Practice at 49 CFR parts 1100–1105 and 1112–1117, except as designated below.

§1160.61 Contacting another party.

When a person wishes to contact a party or serve a pleading or letter on that party, it shall do so through its representative. The phone and FAX numbers and address of applicant's representative shall be listed in the *ICC Register*.

§1160.62 Serving copies of pleadings.

(a) An applicant must serve all pleadings and letters on the Commission and